

IN THE SPECIFICATION

**Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 2, line 8, with the following rewritten paragraph:**

We have found that this object is achieved, according to the invention, by aqueous dispersions of water-soluble polymers of N-vinylformamide and/or N-vinylacetamide if the dispersions contain, based on 100 parts by weight water, 1-10  $\mu$ m particles of

(A) from 5 to 80 parts by weight of a water-soluble polymer containing N-vinylformamide units and/or N-vinylacetamide units and ~~having particle sizes of from 1-10  $\mu$ m and~~